(iv) Poor Quality of Sputum Microcopy.
(v) Emphasis on case detection, rather than cure.
(vi) Poor Organisational set up and shortage of Drugs.
(vii) Multiplicity of Treatment Regimens.

(d) A Revised Strategy for effective control of T.B. was been adopted and pilot tested in different parts of the Country with encouraging success.

The objective of the Revised Strategy is to achieve over 85% Cure Rate as against existing Completion Rate of about 30%.

Apart from general improvement in Programme Management, this revised strategy involve Directly Observed Treatment (DOTs) through Short Course Chemotheraphy (SCC) and improved microscopy for diagnosis.

Consultants Engaged by KVS

1113. SHRI SHIV CHARAN SINGH: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan has engaged some retired officials as consultants;

(b) if so, the details thereof with dates of their engagements and discharge;

(c) whether terms and conditions of engagement, emoluments etc. are governed by instructions issued by D.O.P.T. dated 13th February, 1998; and

(d) if so, whether some consultants are continuing even after completion of maximum period prescribed for such engagements?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DR. MURLI MANOHAR JOSHI): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) (i) Sh. A.M.R. Moses, IAS (Retd.) was engaged on 29.11.96 and discharged on 28.2.98.

(ii) Sh. P.C. Jain, Additional D.I.G. (Retd.) was engaged on 15.3.96 and his present term is upto 30.6.98.

(c) No Consultant has so far been engaged after the receipt of instructions of Department of Personnel & Training dated 13th February, 1998.

Does not arise.

Affairs of Adi Sankaracharya Sanskrit University

1114. SHRI O. RAJAGOPAL: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether any representation about the affairs of Adi Sankaracharya Sanskrit University of Kerala has been received; if so, the details thereof; and

(b) what are the details of the grants released to the University during the last three years?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DR. MURLI MANOHAR JOSHI): (a) according to the information furnished by University Grants Commission (UGC), the Commission has received representation from Shri K. Vishambharan and Shri Vasudewa from Kerala alleging large-scale irregularities in the appointment of teaching and non-teaching staff of the University.

(b) As the Univesity has not yet been declared fit to receive Central assistance in terms of the Rules framed under Section 12-B of the UGC Act, no grants have been released to the University so far.

Village Libraries set up Under the Centrally Sponsored Scheme

1115. SHRI YERRA NARAYANASWAMY: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the number of village libraries established under the centrally sponsored